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FOR PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF SEA BY OIL

REF: STATE 6120

1. VENEZUELAN FOREIGN MINISTRY INFORMED EMBASSY THAT, WHILE VENEZUELA RATIFIED THE 1954 CONVENTION AND HAS INTENTIONS TO RATIFY THE 1973 CONVENTION, IT DOES NOT INTEND TO REQUEST RATIFICATION OF THE 1968 AMENDMENTS BECAUSE IT FEELS THAT THESE AMENDMENTS HAVE BEEN SUPERSEDED BY THE 1973 CONVENTION.

2. IN OUR CONVERSATION WITH THE MINISTRY, IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT GOV DOES NOT PLACE VERY GREAT IMPORTANCE ON THE MATTER. EMBOFF ATTEMPTED TO CONVINCE THE OFFICIAL THAT WITH RATIFICATION OF THE 1969 AMENDMENTS THERE WOULD BE AT LEAST ONE INSTRUMENT IN FORCE, WHILE THE OUTLOOK FOR BRINGING THE 1973 CONVENTION INTO FORCE IN NEAR FUTURE IS DOUBTFUL. THE MINISTRY OFFICIAL FELT, HOWEVER, THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO CONVINCE VENEZUELAN CONGRESS TO RATIFY THE AMENDMENTS IN VIEW OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LATER CONVENTION ALREADY SIGNED BY VENEZUELA. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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